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SUBJECT: SITREP - VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN HONG KONG

REF: HONG KONG 5902 AND 5759

1. MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES - THE NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN HK IMMIGRATION DETENTION AT THE MOMENT IS 3,630. DURING THE PAST TWO DAYS, SEVEN MORE HAVE BEEN PERMITTED TO STAY IN HONG KONG PERMANENTLY WHILE FIVE OTHERS (TWO DESTINED FOR THE US AND THREE FOR FRANCE) HAVE BEEN PERMITTED TO LEAVE THE CAMPS PENDING THEIR ON-WARD TRANSPORTATION. MOVEMENTS ANTICIPATED DURING THE NEXT WEEK INCLUDE 50-60 TO FRANCE, 70 TO CANADA, AND 20 TO BELGIUM.

2. INS PROCESSING - INS PROCESSING HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND REQUESTS FOR VERIFICATION OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS HAVE BEEN SENT TO INS CENTRAL OFFICE, WASHINGTON. ADDITIONALLY, REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF USG EMPLOYMENT BY A NUMBER WHO CLAIMED EMPLOYMENT BY US MILITARY IN VIETNAM HAVE BEEN SENT TO SECDEF. ACCORDING TO OUR PRESENT COUNT, 373 PERSONS MIGHT QUALIFY UNDER CATEGORY A, 179 UNDER CATEGORY B, AND 690 UNDER CATEGORY C FOR A TOTAL OF 1,242.

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3. INS HAS COMPLETED PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION ON 66 PERSONS WHOSE CASES HAVE BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE LOCAL ICEM REPRESENTATIVE FOR ARRANGEMENT OF ONWARD TRANSPORTATION. ICEM HAS NOTIFIED ITS HEADQUARTERS IN GENEVA BUT HAS HAD NO REPLY ON WHEN OR WHERE THESE REFUGEES MAY BE MOVED. WE WOULD APPRECIATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE INFORMATION ON IATF'S CURRENT CONSIDERATION OF ONWARD MOVEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES QUALIFIED UNDER THE CURRENT CRITERIA.

4. THE BELGIAN CONSUL GENERAL HAS NOTIFIED US THAT HE NOW HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO FACILITATE THE MOVEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FROM GUAM TO BRUSSELS. HE HAS NO INSTRUCTIONS AND ASSUMES THAT THE TASK FORCE IN GUAM WILL BE NOTIFYING HIM, THROUGH US, OF THE IMPENDING ARRIVAL OF SUCH VIETNAMESE REFUGEES. HE WILL THEN PROCESS THEM FOR VISAS HERE AND ARRANGE ONWARD TRANSPORTATION. CROSS

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